



RESOLUTION ______, 20 22___

FINDING OF ADEQUACY TO THE PERIODIC REVIEW OF SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM REQUIRED BY RCW 90.58.080(4)

THE BOARD OF CLALLAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS finds as follows:

- 1. RCW 90.58.080(4) requires Clallam County to periodically review and, if necessary, revise their Shoreline Master Program (SMP) on or before June 30, 2020, which was missed because the County was working on their comprehensive SMP update. Clallam County has not done a comprehensive update of the SMP since 1992.
- 2. The Washington Shoreline Management Act (SMA), RCW 90.58, requires the County to review and update the existing Clallam County SMP consistent with the SMA and state SMP guidelines under WAC 173-26. The review process is intended to bring the SMP into compliance with the act or state rules that have been added or changed since the last SMP update or amendment to ensure the SMP remains consistent with existing regulations.
- 3. Clallam County adopted a comprehensive SMP update as required by RCW 90.58.080(2), which became effective as of September 1, 2021.
- 4. Clallam County developed a public participation program for this periodic review in accordance with WAC 173-26-090(3)(a) to inform, involve, and encourage participation of interested persons and private entities, tribes, and applicable agencies having interests and responsibilities relating to shorelines.
- 5. Clallam County used Ecology's checklist of legislative and rule amendments to review changes to chapter 90.58 RCW and department guidelines to ensure the newly adopted SMP is in compliance with WAC 173-26-090(3)(b)(i). The SMP was reviewed for compliance with WAC 173-26-090(3)(b)(i) during the comprehensive update and included many changes from the previously adopted SMP to compliant with existing regulations.
- 6. The Clallam County Planning Commission held a Public Workshop on November 17, 2021 to discuss necessary changes proposed by the Public. The Planning Commission continued their discussion at their December 1, 2021 meeting and voted 6-2 that no SMP amendments are necessary to maintain compliance with the Act or applicable guidelines and recommend a Finding of Adequacy to the Board of County Commissioners.
- 7. Clallam County Board of County Commissioners published legal notice and conducted a public hearing on January 11, 2021 regarding the proposed Finding of Adequacy. The BOCC reviewed the public testimony and written comments, and affirmed no amendments were needed to maintain compliance with the Act or applicable guidelines.
- 8. Clallam County Commissioners are committed to reviewing the Shoreline Master Program before the next required 8 year Periodic Review, requesting that DCD conduct an additional interim review of the SMP in two years, engaging Stakeholders, Ecology, and the Public to determine adequacy of the plan in relation to best available science, legislative actions, and climate change.
- 9. Clallam County has determined a Finding of Adequacy is exempt from State Environmental Policy Act Review per WAC 197-11-800(19), which covers resolutions or ordinances "relating solely to governmental procedures, and containing no substantive standards respecting use or modification of the environment", or "text amendments resulting in no substantive changes respecting use or modification of the environment."
- 10. This Finding of Adequacy completes Clallam County's required process for periodic review in accordance with RCW 90.58.080(4) and applicable state guidelines (WAC 173-26).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Clallam County Commissioners, in consideration of the above findings of fact:

- Hereby find that the review and evaluation required by RCW 90.58.080(4) have occurred, as described more particularly in the recitals above, and adopt a Finding of Adequacy that the shoreline master program is consistent with the Shoreline Management Act and relevant sections of the Washington Administration Code.
- 2. The Department of Community Development is directed to submit this Resolution adopting Findings of Adequacy to the Department of Ecology for final action. Once approved by the Department of Ecology, no further action is necessary for compliance with RCW 90.58.080(4) for the periodic review update due on June 30, 2020.

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